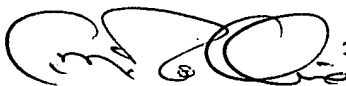


- ☐ Petition for () month(s) extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136(a). \$ for the extension of time.
- ☒ No fee is required.
- ☐ Check(s) in the amount of \$290.00 is enclosed (\$110.00 for extension of time, \$180.00 for IDS submission).
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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated February 11, 2004, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

This reply includes amendments to the claims and remarks.